Abandoned Uranium Mine Site Assessment for the Section 9 Site (NM0079)

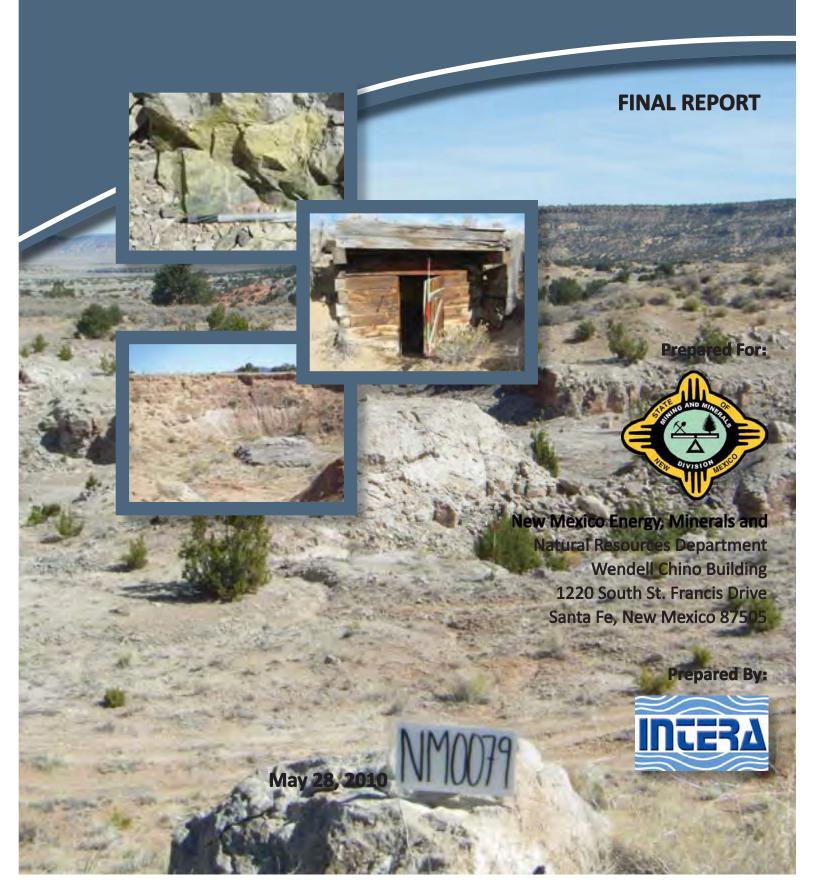


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1.0 INTRODUCTION

INTERA Incorporated (INTERA) has prepared this Abandoned Uranium Mine (AUM) Site Assessment Report for the Mining and Minerals Division (MMD) of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) in compliance with the Professional Service Agreement dated November 2, 2009. INTERA visited the Section 9 Site (AUM Site), MMD ID: NM0079 on April 15, 2010.

1.1 Previously Known Information About the Site

Anderson (1980) performed a detailed investigation of the AUM Site in 1980, finding large open pits, numerous piles, and one adit. Radiation in this adit was higher than the highest detection level on their scintillometer. The mine was active in late 1950, and had produced 57,085 tons of ore by 1958. It was last registered with the State Mine Inspector's Office in 1960, and was in operation until 1962 (Anderson, 1980).

1.2 SITE LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS

The AUM Site is on private land in the northern 2/3 of Section 9, Township 12 North, Range 9 West. Some piles spill onto federal (Bureau of Land Management) land to the north. The Site is located in Cibola County (formerly part of Valencia County), approximately 10 miles northeast of the town of Milan. The location of this Site was provided to INTERA by MMD.

To access the AUM Site from Albuquerque, drive west on Interstate 40 for 83 miles. Take Exit 79 towards San Mateo and turn right. Continue straight until you reach U. S. 66, less than a quarter mile. Turn left on U.S. 66 and drive 0.2 miles, then turn right onto New Mexico 605. Continue northeast on New Mexico 605 for 7.4 miles, then turn right onto a dirt road, passing through a locked gate. Drive east along this road for approximately 2 miles, after which the road makes a slight bend to the south and then curves north and ascends a mesa. After reaching the top of the mesa, continue north for another 0.9 miles to the southern edge of the AUM Site.

Note that permission from two private landowners is required in order to access and view the AUM Site. The access route from New Mexico 605 to the mesa is owned by one landowner, and the Site is owned by a different landowner.

1.3 SITE GEOLOGY

The AUM Site lies within the Grants uranium region. The topography of this region is characterized by mesas of Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous sediments separated by broad valleys. The Site area is part of the Chaco Slope, the southern part of the San Juan Basin. Strata in the Chaco Slope dip gently to the north (McLemore, 2002).

The AUM Site is located within the Jurassic-age Todilto Formation, a sequence of carbonates and evaporites. This formation likely represents a salt lake environment intermittently connected to the ocean. The Todilto Formation is underlain by the Entrada Formation and overlain by the Summerville Formation (Hilpert, 1963). The Todilto consists of two members, the upper Tonque Arroyo Member and the lower Luciano Mesa Member. The Tonque Arroyo Member consists of gypsum and is absent from the Site area. The Luciano Mesa Member consists of a



thinly laminated, locally deformed lower layer and a massive, vuggy upper layer (Lucas and Anderson, 2000). Primary-type uranium minerals such as pitchblende are reported to occur in the Todilto Limestone as well as secondary minerals such as carnotite and tyuyamunite (McLaughlin, 1963).

Sand dunes are present in the northwestern and southern areas of the AUM Site.

1.4 SITE HYDROGEOLOGY

The surface runoff at the AUM Site discharges to San Mateo Creek, which drains into the Rio San Jose approximately 8 miles to the southwest. There is no nearby permanent surface water.

The AUM Site is located in the Bluewater Underground Water Basin. This basin falls between the San Juan Underground Water Basin to the north, the Middle Rio Grande Underground Water Basin to the south and east, and the Gallup Underground Water Basin to the west (Edwards and Kiely, 2004). Aquifers are found in alluvium near major drainages such as San Mateo Creek and throughout the Cretaceous, Jurassic, and Triassic strata in the region. Groundwater flows southward in alluvium and northeast in Mesozoic strata (Brod, 1979).

1.5 REGIONAL TOPOGRAPHY AND TERRAIN

The AUM Site is found on the Dos Lomas Quadrangle 7.5 minute United States Geological Survey topographic map at an elevation of approximately 7000 feet above mean sea level (see Figure 2). The AUM Site is located just west of La Jara Mesa, at the edge of a broad mesa capped by the Todilto Formation.

2.0 MINE FEATURES

The mine features described below are based on the features provided to INTERA by MMD in the GIS Data Dictionary (MMD, 2009). INTERA marked the locations of the AUM Site features using a Trimble Global Positioning System (GPS), and entered details about the features into the GPS using the MMD data dictionary. Twenty pits, nineteen piles, two pile ridges, three adits, two trash dumps, one piece of mining-related equipment, and two structures were found onsite. Please see the Photo Log in Appendix A for photos of the AUM Site features and Table 1 for a list of the AUM Site features. The AUM Site contains numerous features over a large region, therefore the Site has been broken into three areas: the Northwestern Area (see Figures 4a and 4b), the Northeastern Area (Figures 5a and 5b) and the Southern Area (Figures 6a and 6b). Note that the scale between Figure 4 (a, b), Figure 5 (a, b), and Figure 6 (a, b) is different.

2.1 Mine Shafts, Adits, and Declines

Three adits are located on the AUM Site. Adit-1 is located in the Northwestern Area of the Site. This adit was photographed by Anderson (1980) in 1980. Several feet of blow sand have accumulated in the adit since the Anderson visit (see Photo 24 in Appendix A, and photo (j) in the Anderson Report). Anderson (1980) also encountered very high gamma radiation readings (over 10,000 cps) about 20 ft inside the adit. However, the present survey found gamma radiation levels of 480 μ R/hr at the entrance of the adit (radiation survey point Rad-15).



Adit-2 and Adit-3 are located in the Southern Area of the AUM Site. Adit-2 is very small and could be a collapse feature rather than an actual entrance to a tunnel (see Photo 74 in Appendix A). Adit-3 is considerably larger (see Photo 80 in Appendix A).

2.2 MINING AND EXPLORATION PITS AND OPEN CUTS

Twenty open pits were found at the AUM Site. Eight of these pits (Pit-1, Pit-2, Pit-3, Pit-4, Pit-5, Pit-6, Pit-7, and Pit-9) are located in the Northwestern Area of the Site (see Figures 4a and 4b). These pits tend to be linear (see Photo 13 in Appendix A), with the exception of Pit-9 (see Photo 27 in Appendix A). These pits form a rough north-south trend, with Pit-9 in the north and Pit-7 in the south. The highest gamma radiation measurement was at radiation survey point Rad-17 in Pit-9, with 4400 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground. Of the remaining seven pits, four had gamma radiation readings over 1000 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground. Adit-1 is located at the western end of Pit-7.

The Northeastern Area of the AUM Site contains seven pits (Pit-8, Pit-10, Pit-11, Pit-12, Pit-13, Pit-14, and Pit-15). Two of these pits (Pit-10 and Pit-11) are linear, oriented generally east-west (see Photo 34 in Appendix A). Two of the pits are C-shaped, one opening to the north (Pit-13; see Photo 43 in Appendix A) and one opening to the west (Pit-14; see Photo 51 in Appendix A). The final three pits (Pit-8, Pit-12, and Pit-15) are circular. Pit-15 is referred to as the "Eyeball Pit" in the Anderson Report. See Photos 54 and 55 in Appendix A for views of Pit-15. The maximum gamma radiation measurement was over 5000 μ R/hr (off the scale of the scintillometer used in this survey) at radiation survey point Rad-19 in Pit-10.

The Southern Area of the AUM Site contains five pits (Pit-16, Pit-17, Pit-18, Pit-19, and Pit-20). These pits are located along the edge of the mesa and tend to be smaller than pits elsewhere on the Site (see Photo 64 in Appendix A). Two pits (Pit-18 and Pit-19) contained adits. The maximum gamma radiation measurement was $2800~\mu\text{R/hr}$ at radiation survey point Rad-49 at Adit-3 in Pit-19.

2.3 WASTE AND ORE PILES AND DISTURBANCES

Nineteen piles and two pile ridges were found at the AUM Site. These piles consisted of aeolian sand overburden, waste rock, or a combination of the two. Seven piles (PilePly-7, PilePly-1, PilePly-2, PilePly-3, PilePly-4, PilePly-5, and PilePly-6) are located in the Northwestern Area of the AUM Site, five piles (PilePly-8, PilePly-9, PilePly-10, PilePly-11, and PilePly-12) are located in the Northeastern Area of the Site, and seven piles (PilePly-13, PilePly-14, PilePly-15, PilePly-16, PilePly-17, PilePly-18, and PilePly-19) are located in the Southern Area of the AUM Site. In addition, the two pile ridges (PileRidge-1 and PileRidge-2) are located in the Southern Area of the AUM Site.

Overburden piles can be very large at the AUM Site. One overburden pile (PilePly-3) is over 1000 ft long and consists mostly of aeolian sand with a few scattered rocks (see Photo 11 in Appendix A).

Waste rock piles consist of Todilto Formation limestone, with occasional uranium mineralization resulting in higher gamma radiation readings compared to overburden piles. These features tend to be either low and broad (see Photo 58 in Appendix A) or a series of discrete, conical piles (see Photo 31 in Appendix A). The pile ridges onsite also consist of waste rock (see Photo 67 in



Appendix A). The maximum gamma radiation measured on pile at the AUM Site was 3400 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground at radiation survey point Rad-1 on PilePly-1.

2.4 MINING RELATED BUILDINGS AND FOUNDATIONS

Two mining-related structures were found at the AUM Site, both in the Southern Area. StrucPly-1 is a shed made from railroad ties (see Photo 75 in Appendix A). The interior of the structure contained an old mattress and other debris. StrucPly-2 is mostly buried in sand and contains two doors and a wood roof (see Photo 77 in Appendix A).

2.5 OTHER MINE FEATURES

Two trash dumps were found in pits onsite. DumpPt-1 consists of several 55 gallon drums (see Photo 7 in Appendix A). This dump is located in the Northwestern Area of the Site. DumpPt-2 consists of tires, metal, and glass (see Photo 84 in Appendix A). It is located in the Southern Area of the Site. One piece of mining equipment (Equip-1) was also found in the Northeastern Area of the Site (see Photo 26 in Appendix A). The piece of equipment is a water truck that is currently in use in a permitted exploration project. It is not related to legacy mining at the Site.

2.6 Boreholes

No boreholes were found at the AUM Site.

2.7 RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES

No apparent reclamation activities have taken place at the AUM Site.

3.0 ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES

No apparent archeological sites were identified at or near this AUM Site.

4.0 SITE GAMMA RADIATION READINGS

One background gamma radiation reading was taken near the AUM Site, recording 8 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground and 9 μ R/hr at 4 ft above ground. Please see Table 2 for all of the gamma radiation readings taken at the AUM Site and Figures 4a, 4b, 5a, 5b, 6a and 6b for the locations of the radiation readings.

The maximum gamma radiation reading for the AUM Site was over 5000 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground at radiation survey point Rad-19 in Pit-10 (see Photo 33 in Appendix A). Other notable radiation readings were taken at radiation survey point Rad-1 (3400 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground) on PilePly-1 and radiation survey point Rad-17 (4400 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground; see Photo 28 in Appendix A) in Pit-9.



5.0 CURRENT LAND USES

5.1 HUMAN ACTIVITY AND RECREATIONAL SITE USE

Barbed wire fences and cow prints indicate that the area is active ranchland. Trash dumps are present in some of the pits. The presence of new mining equipment indicates that the area is currently undergoing exploration.

5.2 NEARBY RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURES

No structures were sighted within a mile of the AUM Site.

5.3 NEARBY DOMESTIC WELLS

One domestic well (B-01340) is located about 0.2 miles southeast of the AUM Site. This well is 300 ft deep, but depth to water and installment date are not known. A non-domestic well (B-01341) is located about 700 ft miles east of the Site. Another non-domestic well (B-00778) is located about 0.4 miles to the southwest (NMOSE, 2008).

5.4 EVIDENCE OF GRAZING OR AGRICULTURE

Barbed wire fences and cow prints indicate that the AUM Site is likely being grazed.

5.5 EVIDENCE OF WILDLIFE

Tracks and droppings from deer and rabbits are present.

6.0 VEGETATION

The AUM Site is located in the Coniferous and Mixed Woodland vegetation type and borders the Desert Grassland (Ecotone). Woody species at the site include Utah juniper, pinyon pine, fourwing saltbush and rubber rabbitbush. Snakeweed, narrowleaf yucca, and common sagewort were also present. Scapose bitterweed was present at the AUM Site along with grama grass, dropseed, and Indian ricegrass. Cryptogamic crust was present in areas. No noxious weeds were observed.

7.0 POTENTIAL OFFSITE IMPACTS

7.1 EROSION

A pile in the Northwestern Area of the AUM Site is eroding into a valley to the north (ErosPly-1, see Photo 29 in Appendix A).



7.2 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

There is no evidence of soil staining from chemicals potentially brought to the AUM Site.

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Table 1 Site Features

Section 9-NM0079 **Abandoned Uranium Mine Assessments**

Feature	On	Feature	Associated	Matarial	Height or	Width or	Length	0,,,,,	Callamand	Closure	Accesional Dhana	Nata
Name	Site?	Туре	Feature	Material	Depth (ft)	Diameter (ft)	(ft)	Open	Collapsed	Туре	Associated Photo	Notes
Access-1	Yes	Access		Dirt								
Access-2	Yes	Access		Dirt								
Access-3	No	Access		Dirt								
Adit-1	Yes		Timber		6	15	0	No	No	None	NM0079_023 NM0079_024	unknown length
Adit-2	Yes		None		3	8	20	Yes	No	Backfill	NM0079_074	
Adit-3	Yes		None		5	8	0	No	No	None	NM0079_079 NM0079_080	unknown length
DumpPt-1	Yes	Historic		Trash	3	10	10				NM0079_007	55 gal drums
DumpPt-2	Yes	Historic		Trash	0	10	40				NM0079_084	
Equip-1	Yes	water truck									NM0079_026	water truck
ErosPly-1	Yes	Water Eroded			25	45	75				NM0079_029	
Fenc-1	Yes	Barbwire		Metal/Wood	4							Boundary between Section 9 and Section 4
PilePly-1	Yes	Waste		Rock	6	60	120				NM0079_001	
PilePly-2	Yes	Waste		Rock	3	240	240				NM0079_002	
PilePly-3	Yes	Waste		Soil	20	100	900				NM0079_011	
PilePly-4	Yes	Waste		Rock	6	120	180				NM0079_016	
PilePly-5	Yes	Waste		Soil	25	150	210				NM0079_017	
PilePly-6	Yes	Waste		Rock	4	60	120				NM0079_020	
PilePly-7	Yes	Waste		Rock	3	150	300				NM0079_030 NM0079_031	pile is eroding into canyon
PilePly-8	Yes	Waste		Rock	8	30	120				NM0079_039	
PilePly-9	Yes	Waste		Rock	8	60	330				NM0079_046	
PilePly-10	Yes	Waste		Soil	30	360	375				NM0079_053	material from eyeball pit
PilePly-11	Yes	Waste		Rock	4	150	750				NM0079_058 NM0079_059	
PilePly-12	Yes	Waste		Rock	8	150	300				NM0079_060	
PilePly-13	Yes	Waste		Rock	10	30	180				NM0079_065	
PilePly-14	Yes	Waste		Rock	4	45	66				NM0079_068	
PilePly-15	Yes	Waste		Rock	6	10	25				NM0079_069	
PilePly-16	Yes	Waste		Soil	3	150	600				NM0079_070	
PilePly-17	Yes	Waste		Rock	3	60	210				NM0079_071 NM0079_072	
PilePly-18	Yes	Waste		Soil	20	105	450				NM0079_076	
PilePly-19	Yes	Waste		Rock	4	60	360				NM0079_081	
PileRidge-1	Yes				3	10	90				NM0079_061	
PileRidge-2	Yes				4	10	60				NM0079_067	
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Pit-1	Yes	Mining			10	40	210				NM0079_004	
PIL-1	res	wiining			10	40	210				NM0079_005	
											NM0079_006	
											NM0079_008	
Pit-2	Yes	Mining			15	180	300				NM0079_009	
											NM0079_010	
Pit-3	Yes	Mining			15	25	180				NM0079_013	
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Table 1

Table 1 Site Features

Section 9-NM0079 Abandoned Uranium Mine Assessments

Feature Name	On Site?	Feature Type	Associated Feature	Material	Height or Depth (ft)	Width or Diameter (ft)	Length (ft)	Open	Collapsed	Closure Type	Associated Photo	Notes
Pit-4	Yes	Mining			10	30	120				NM0079_015	
Pit-5	Yes	Mining			10	30	150				NM0079_018	
Pit-6	Yes	Mining			10	45	75				NM0079_019	
Pit-7	Yes	Mining			8	60	270				NM0079_021	
Pit-8	Yes	Mining			8	90	120				NM0079_022 NM0079_025	
Pit-9	Yes	Mining			20	150	270				NM0079_027	
Pit-10	Yes	Mining			10	45	600				NM0079_032 NM0079_033 NM0079_034 NM0079_035 NM0079_036	
Pit-11	Yes	Mining			10	50	300				NM0079_037 NM0079_038	
Pit-12	Yes	Mining			8	30	60				NM0079_040	
Pit-13	Yes	Mining			20	60	900				NM0079_041 NM0079_042 NM0079_043 NM0079_044 NM0079_045	
Pit-14	Yes	Mining			20	90	450				NM0079_047 NM0079_048 NM0079_049 NM0079_050 NM0079_051 NM0079_052	
Pit-15	Yes	Mining			40	250	250				NM0079_054 NM0079_055 NM0079_056 NM0079_057	eyeball pit
Pit-16	Yes	Mining			10	50	325				NM0079_062 NM0079_063 NM0079_064	
Pit-17	Yes	Exploration			8	20	60				NM0079_066	
Pit-18	Yes	Mining			10	30	90				NM0079_073	
Pit-19 Pit-20	Yes Yes	Mining Mining			15 4	30 120	105 150				NM0079_078 NM0079_082 NM0079_083	
StrucPly-1	Yes	Building		Wood	6	10	20				NM0079_005	shack with mattress
StrucPly-2	Yes	Shed		Wood	5	10	30				NM0079_077	underground shed

Notes:

By convention, adits have height, width, and length but not depth.



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Table 2 Gamma Radiation Survey Results

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	0 ft	Asssociated		
Reading ID	(μR/hr)	(μR/hr)	Photo	Feature
Rad-1	3400	140		PilePly-1
Rad-2	2500	110		PilePly-2
Rad-3	350	120		PilePly-2
Rad-4	800	250		Pit-1
Rad-5	2000	460		Pit-2
Rad-6	110	25		PilePly-3
Rad-7	3300	180		Pit-3
Rad-8	270	90		Pit-4
Rad-9	420	150		PilePly-4
Rad-10	290	70		PilePly-5
Rad-11	2400	260		Pit-5
Rad-12	1200	130		Pit-6
Rad-13	900	270		PilePly-66
Rad-14	450	290		Pit-7
Rad-15	480	420		Adit-1
Rad-16	290	140		Pit-8
Rad-17	4400	500	NM0079_028	Pit-9
Rad-18	1400	120		PilePly-7
Rad-19	5000	1100	NM0079_032	Pit-10
Rad-20	800	400		Pit-10
Rad-21	700	180		Pit-11
Rad-22	460	150		PilePly-8
Rad-23	1000	230		Pit-12
Rad-24	800	150		Pit-13
Rad-25	1000	150		Pit-13
Rad-26	700	370	NM0079_044	Pit-13
Rad-27	1100	170		PilePly-9
Rad-28	950	180		Pit-14
Rad-29	1200	500	NM0079_049	Pit-14
Rad-30	600	40		PilePly-10
Rad-31	20	19		PilePly-10
Rad-32	600	230		Pit-15
Rad-33	1200	300		Pit-15
Rad-34	2800	280		PilePly-11
Rad-35	480	160		PilePly-12
Rad-36	2500	130		PileRidge-1
Rad-37	1700	260		Pit-16
Rad-38	800	34		PilePly-13
Rad-39	1200	250		Pit-17



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Table 2 Gamma Radiation Survey Results

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Reading ID	0 ft (μR/hr)	4 ft (μR/hr)	Associated Photo	Asssociated Feature
Rad-40	90	30		PileRidge-2
Rad-41	270	43		PilePly-14
Rad-42	700	140		PilePly-15
Rad-43	36	26	-	PilePly-16
Rad-44	1100	90		PilePly-17
Rad-45	2200	440		Pit-18
Rad-46	260	190		Adit-2
Rad-47	280	160		PilePly-18
Rad-48	240	60	-	Pit-19
Rad-49	2800	480		Adit-3
Rad-50	1400	130		PilePly-19
Rad-51	800	280		Pit-20
Rad-52	1500	390		Pit-20
Rad-53	9	8		
RadBack-1	8	9		

Notes:

All gamma readings at this site taken by Ludlum 192 $\mu R/R$ atemeter $\mu R/hr =$ microroetgens per hour

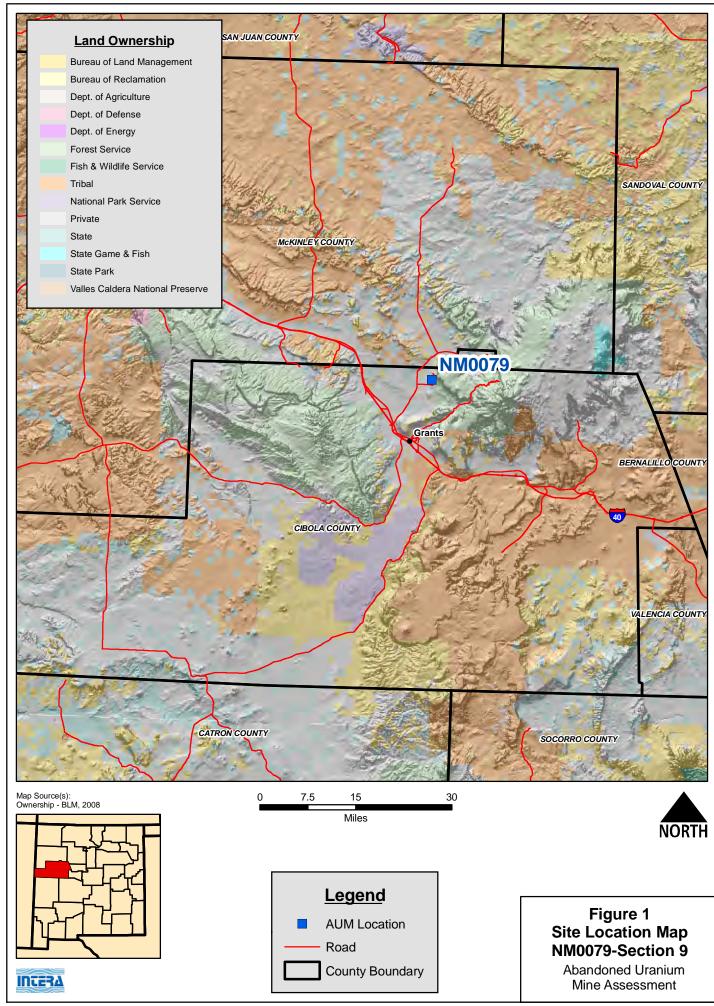
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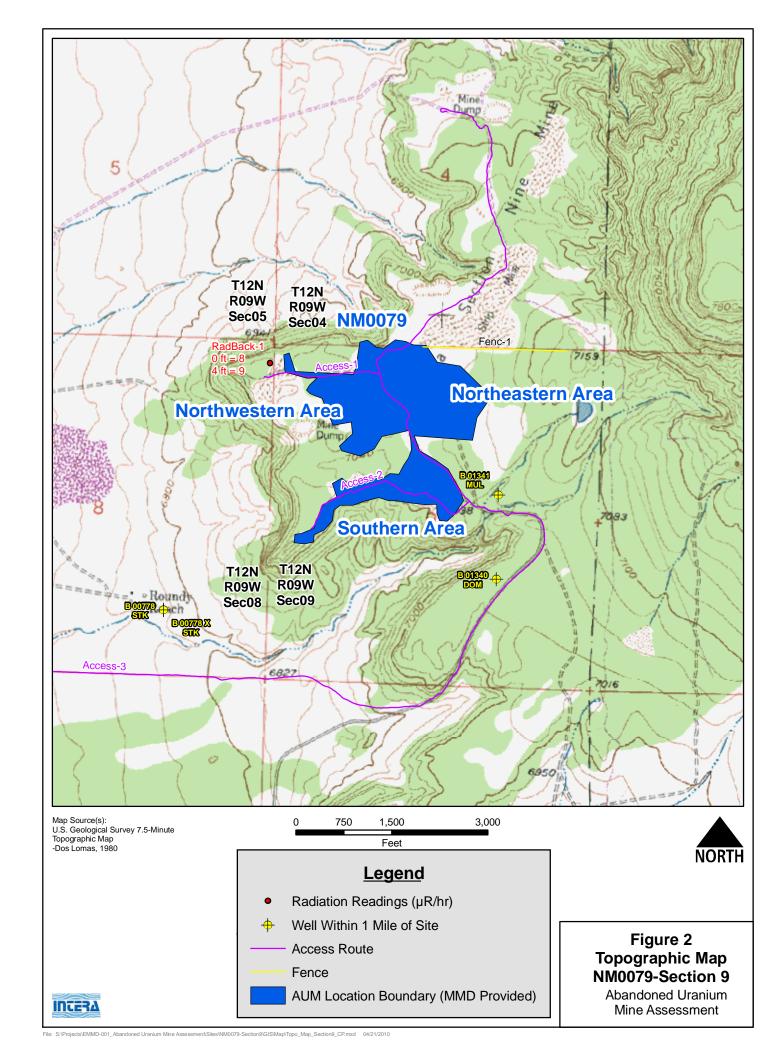


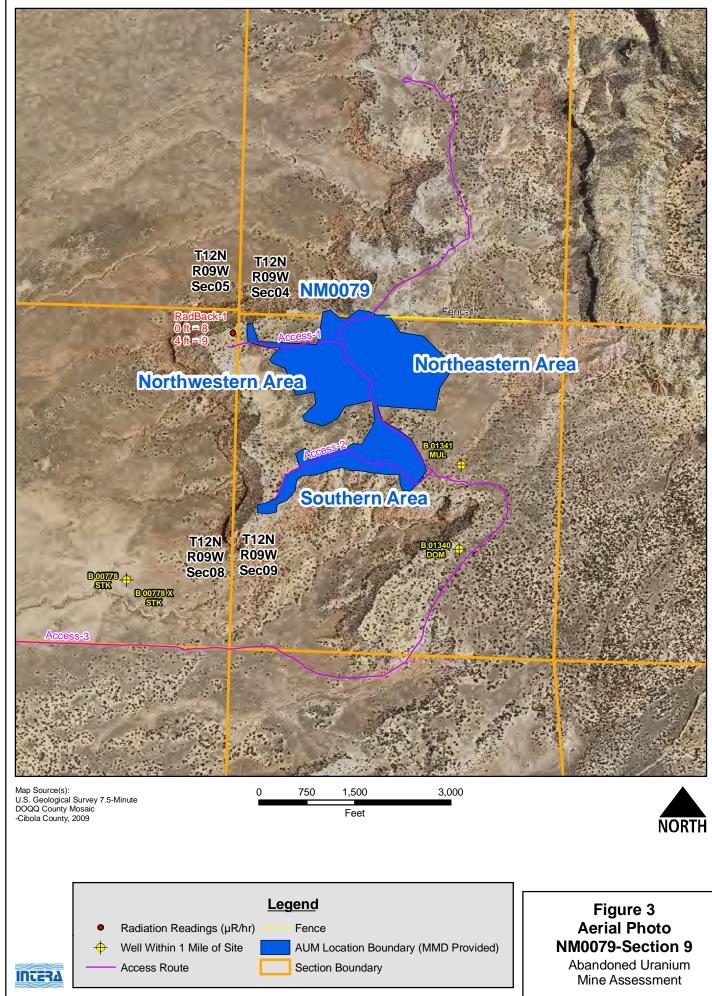
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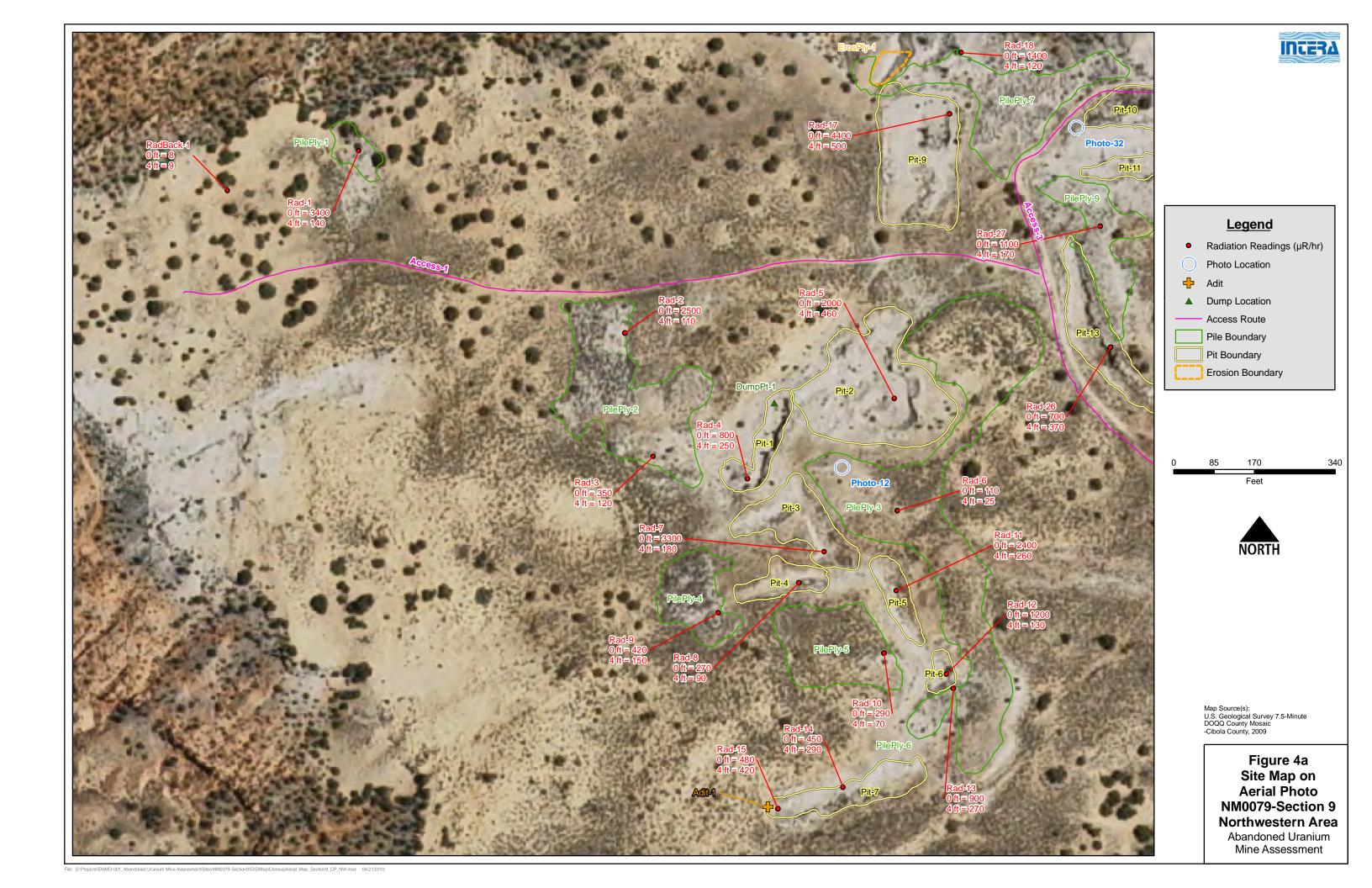


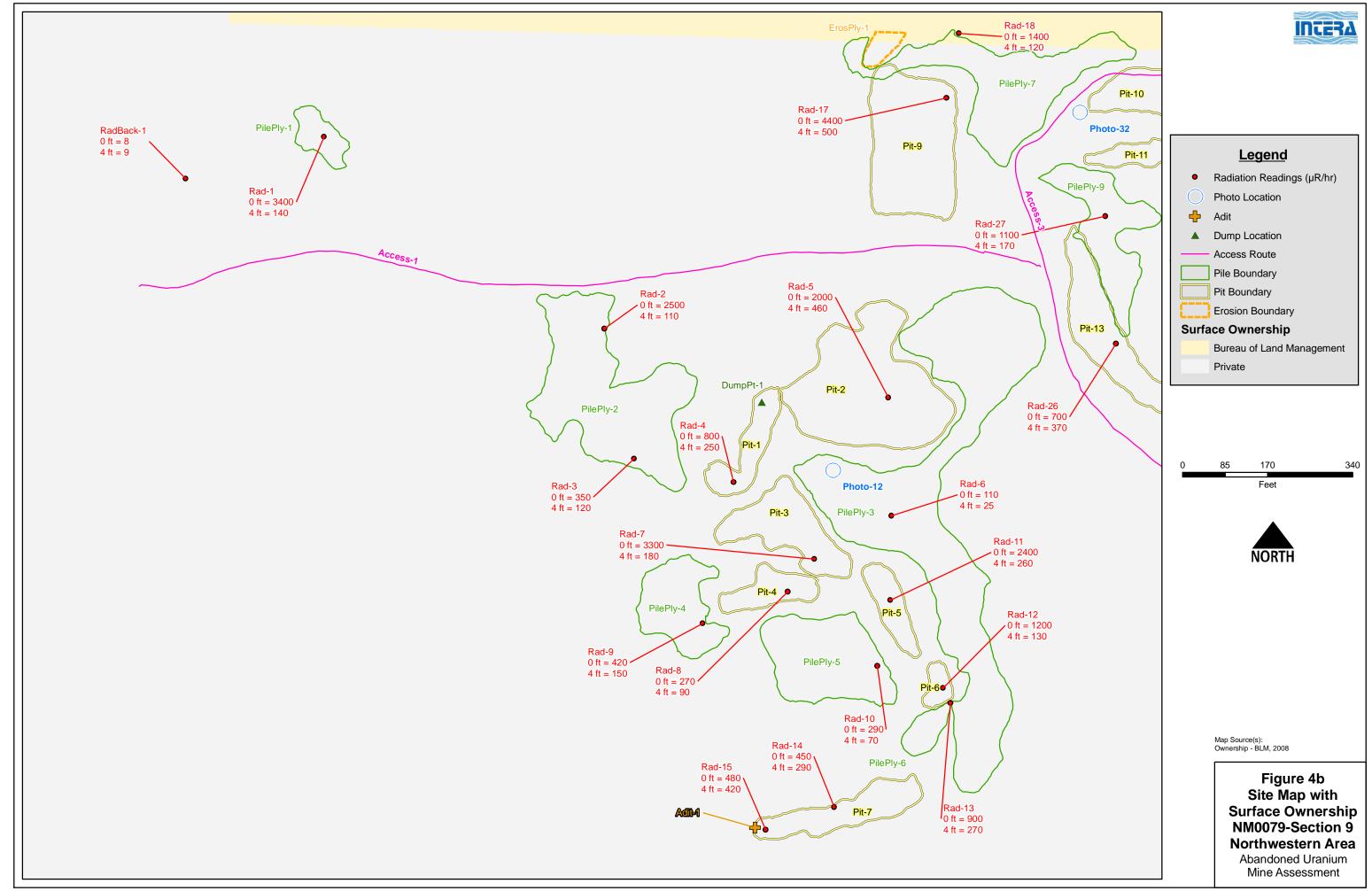


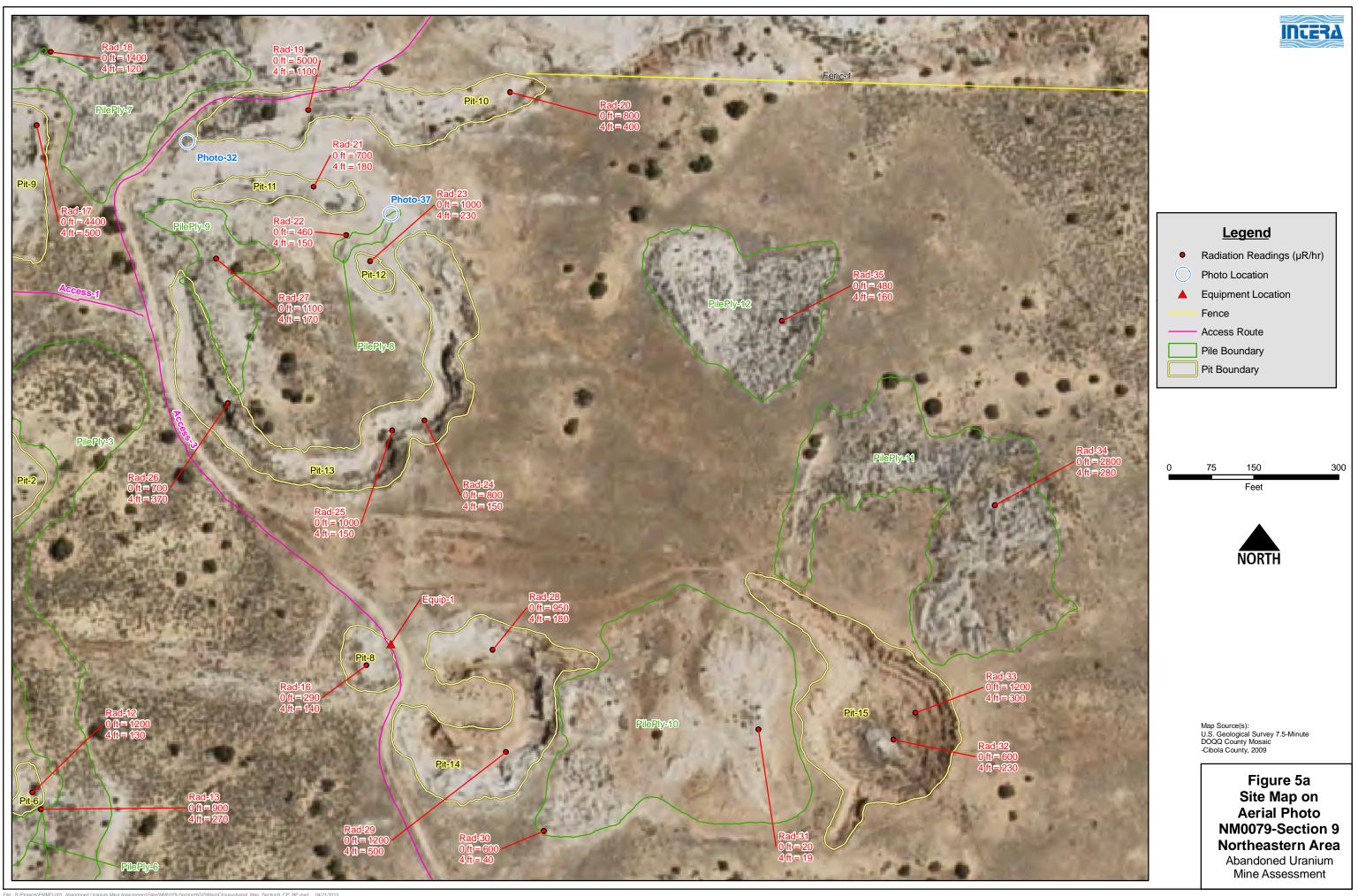


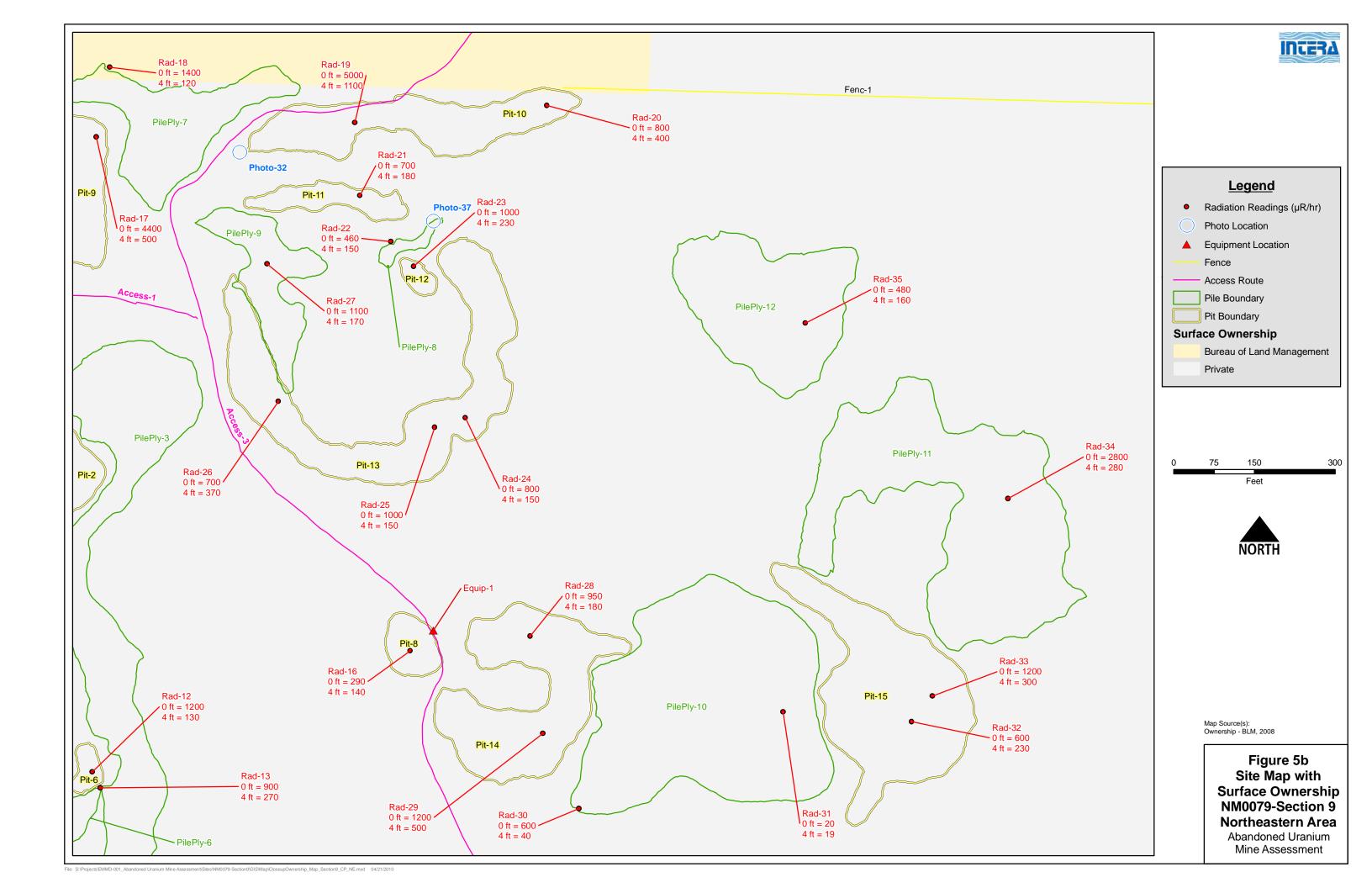


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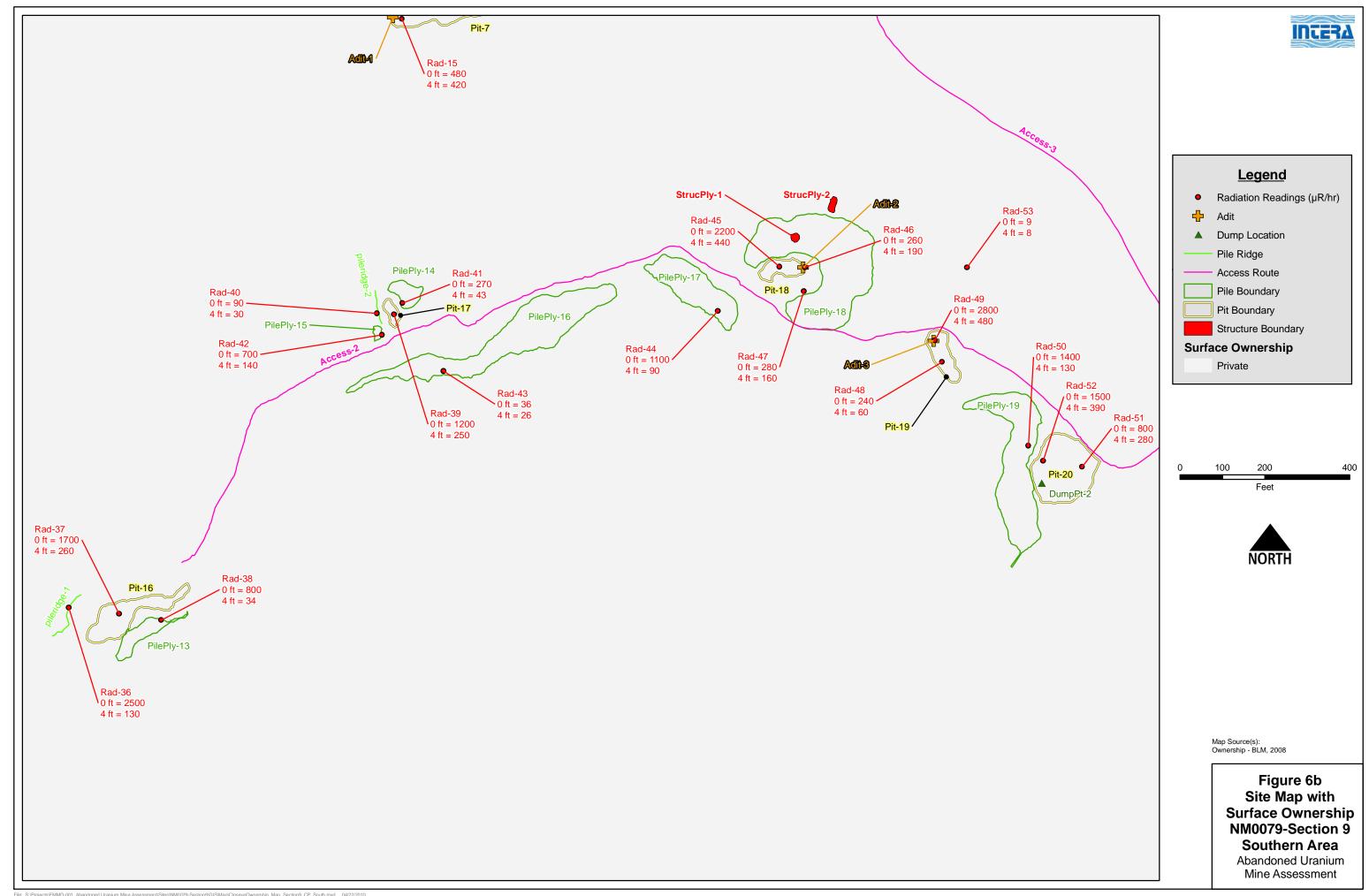












APPENDIX A PHOTO LOG

Note: Gaps in the numbering sequence of the photos is the result of removing photos not suitable for the report. A full set of photos is provided in the electronic deliverable.





Photo 1-Looking west at PilePly-1.



Photo 2-Looking west at PilePly-2.





Photo 3-Looking southwest at Pit-1.



Photo 4-Looking northwest in Pit-1.





Photo 5-Looking north in Pit-1.



Photo 6-Looking northeast in Pit-1.





Photo 7-Looking west at DumpPt-1.



Photo 8-Looking southwest at Pit-2.





Photo 9-Looking west in Pit-2.



Photo 10-Looking west at the western end of Pit-2.





Photo 11-Looking southwest at PilePly-3.



Photo 12-Site photo from the top of PilePly-3, looking north.





Photo 13-Looking west at Pit-3.



Photo 14-Looking south in Pit-3.





Photo 15-Looking west at Pit-4.



Photo 16-Looking northwest at PilePly-4.





Photo 17-Looking west at PilePly-5.



Photo 18-Looking northwest at Pit-5.





Photo 19-Looking southwest at Pit-6.



Photo 20-Looking west at PilePly-6.





Photo 21-Looking west at Pit-7.

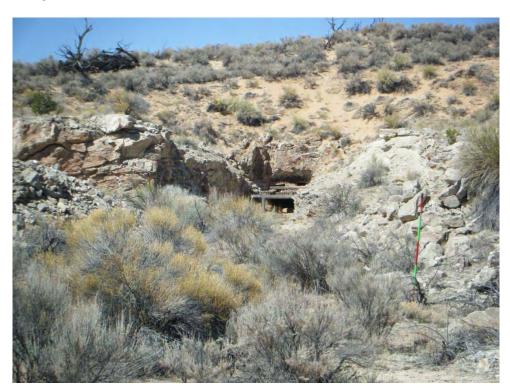


Photo 22-Looking west in Pit-7, replicating Anderson photo (i).





Photo 23-Looking west into Adit-1.

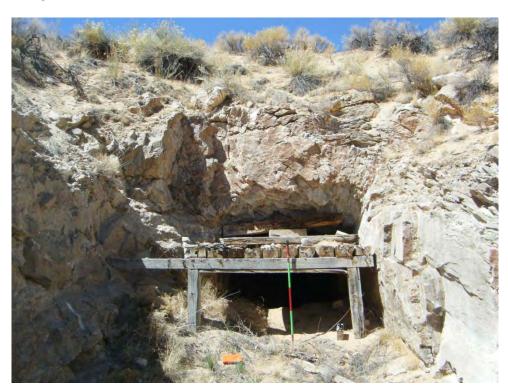


Photo 24-Looking west at Adit-1 entrance, replicating Anderson photo (j). The adit has filled with several feet of blow sand since Anderson visited the Site.





Photo 25-Looking south at Pit-8.



Photo 26-Looking west at water truck (Equip-1).





Photo 27-Looking south at Pit-9.



Photo 28-Radiation survey point Rad-17 (4400 $\mu R/hr$ at 0 ft above ground).





Photo 29-Looking south at gullying along the mesa edge (ErosPly-1).



Photo 30-Looking east at PilePly-7 spilling down the mesa face.





Photo 31-Looking east at PilePly-7.



Photo 32-Looking east at Pit-10, matching photo (a) in Anderson report.



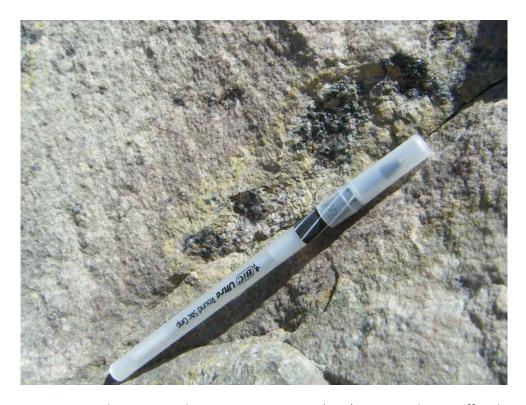


Photo 33-Uranium mineralization at radiation survey point Rad-19 (gamma radiation off scale at >5000 μ R/hr at contact).



Photo 34-Looking east in Pit-10.





Photo 35-Looking east in Pit-10.



Photo 36-Site photo, looking southeast at Pit-10.





Photo 37-Looking west at Pit-11.



Photo 38-Looking southwest in Pit-11.





Photo 39-Looking northwest at PilePly-8.



Photo 40-Looking southeast at Pit-12.





Photo 41-Looking north along the eastern limb of Pit-13.



Photo 42-Looking east along the southern limb of Pit-13.





Photo 43-Looking west along the southern arm of Pit-13.



Photo 44-Looking east at intraformational fold in Pit-13, replicating photo (d) in the Anderson report.





Photo 45-Looking northwest at Pit-13, replicating Anderson photo (c).



Photo 46-Looking southeast at PilePly-9.





Photo 47-Looking east at the northern limb of Pit-14.



Photo 48-Looking east at the northern limb of Pit-14.





Photo 49-Secondary-type uranium mineralization at radiation survey point Rad-29 (1200 μ R/hr at 0 ft above ground).



Photo 50-Looking east at southern limb of Pit-14.





Photo 51-Looking east over southern limb of Pit-14, replicating Anderson photo (g).



Photo 52-Looking east above northern limb above Pit-14, replicating Anderson photo (f).





Photo 53-Looking east at PilePly-10.



Photo 54-Looking east at Pit-15, the "Eyeball Pit".





Photo 55-Looking southeast at Pit-15, replicating Anderson photo (e).



Photo 56-Looking east at limestone knob in Pit-15.





Photo 57-Looking east at the east wall of Pit-15.



Photo 58-Looking east at PilePly-11.





Photo 59-Looking south at PilePly-11.



Photo 60-Looking northwest at PilePly-12.



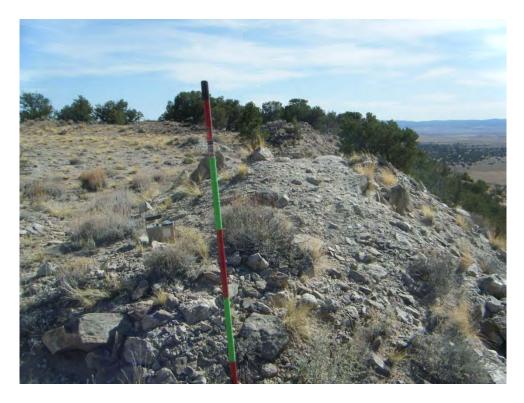


Photo 61-Looking west at PileRidge-1.



Photo 62-Looking north at Pit-16.





Photo 63-Looking southeast at an intraformational fold in Pit-16.



Photo 64-Looking east along northern arm of Pit-16.



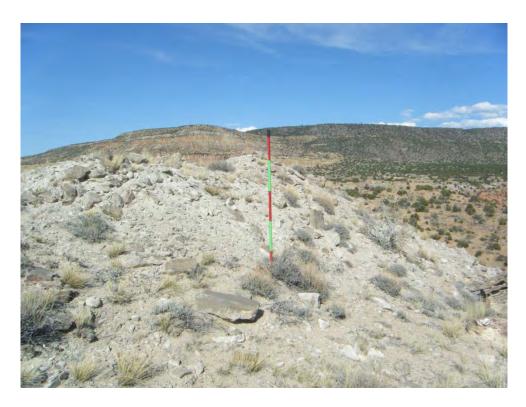


Photo 65-Looking east at PilePly-13.



Photo 66-Looking north at Pit-17.





Photo 67-Looking north at PileRidge-2.

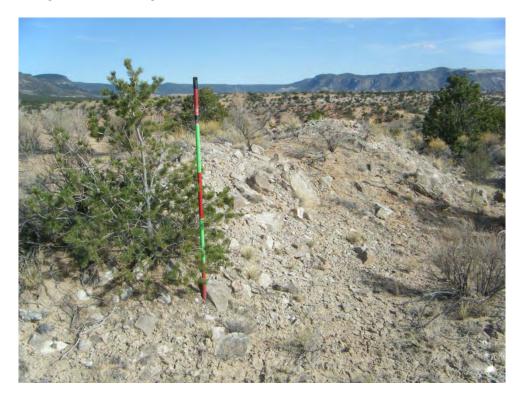


Photo 68-Looking southeast at PilePly-14.





Photo 69-Looking north at PilePly-15.

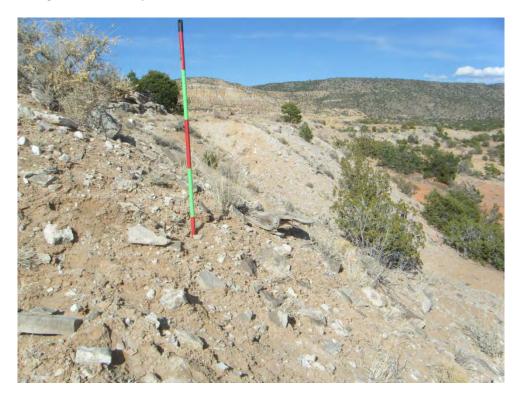


Photo 70-Looking east at PilePly-16.





Photo 71-Looking southeast at PilePly-17.



Photo 72-Looking west at PilePly-17 spilling down the edge of the mesa.



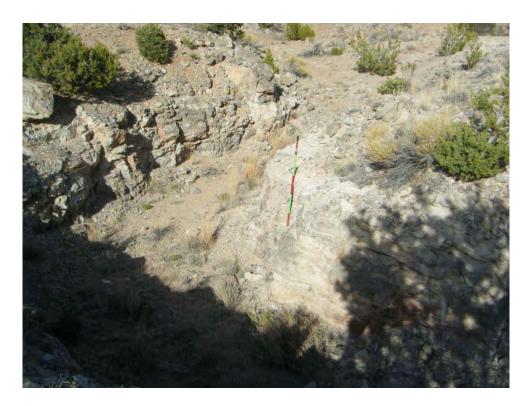


Photo 73-Looking east at Pit-18.



Photo 74-Looking east at Adit-2.





Photo 75-Looking east at StrucPly-1.



Photo 76-Looking east at PilePly-18.





Photo 77-Looking south at StrucPly-2.



Photo 78-Looking north at Pit-19.





Photo 79-Looking into Adit-3.



Photo 80-Looking north at Adit-3.





Photo 81-Looking south at PilePly-19.



Photo 82-Looking east at the southern limb of Pit-20.





Photo 83-Looking east at the northern limb of Pit-20.



Photo 84-Looking north at a trash dump (DumpPt-2).



APPENDIX B FIELD NOTES



4/15/10 AUT Abandoned Uravium Mines

Site Name: NM0079, Section 9

Objective: Site Assessment

Personnel: Annella Tinklenberg Danny Bowman

Equipment: Rental truck, Trimbel Ges XM (SN 494844727, 2008 Series), Ludium 192 (SN:234140), Fyj. film digital countera (No. 80839493), backup Garnin GPS, cell phone amplifier, field laptop

7:30 Leaving Albuquerque for site

900 At AUM Site

Background Rad-om- 8 MR/h; Im- 9 MR/h

Pile Ply-1-6'high, 60'wide, ladlong

Photo-1-looking west at Pile Ply-1

Rad-1-PilePly-T; On-3400 nR/h; Im-140 nR/h

Pilety 2-3' high; 240' wide, 240'long Photo 2-looking west at Pilety 2 Rad 2- Pilety2; on-2500 nR/h; hm-110nR/h

Rad 3- PilePlya; on- 350 AR/h; Im-120.AR/h

Pit-1-10' deep, 40' wide, 210'long

Photo 3 - looking southwest at Pit 1

Photo 4 - looking normwest in Pit1

Photo 5- looking north in Pit-1

Photo 6 - looking northeast at Pit-1

Rad 4- Pit1; Om + 800 Mfh; Im- 250 MF/h

4/15/10 AUT Albandoned Vranium Mines DumpPr-1 - 2 - 55 gallownetal drums in Pit-1 Photo 7 - looking west at Dump Pt-1

?it-2-15' high, 1801 wide, 300' long (also Photo 12)

Photo 8- 100 King southwest down at Pita

Photo 9 - looking west in Pit 2

Proto 10 - looking west in Pit a at western end Rad 5 - Pit 2; Om- 2000 west; Im - 460 mesth

PilePly 3-20 high, 100 wide, 900 long; soil over burden area

Photo 11 - looking southwest at PilePly 3

Rad 6 Piletly 3; om- Hourth; Im- 25 ur/h

Photo 12- Site name from top of Pitely 3, looking at Pita, looking north

7.+3-15'deep, 25'wide, 180' lay

Photo 17 tooking west at 1:+3

Proto 14 - looking south in Pit3

Rad 7 - Pit3; om 3300 nR/h; in- 180 uR/h

Pit4 - 10' deep, 30' wide, 120' long

Photo 15- looking west a Pit-4

Rad 8- Pit4; Om-270 uR/h; Im- 90 uR/h

file Ply 4 - 6' high, DO' wide, 180'long

Proto 16- looking northwest at Piletly 4

Rad 9 - Pile Ply 4; Om - 420 MR/h; Im - 150 MR/h

PilePly 5 - 25 'high, 156' wide, 2+0 'long; soil overburden and

Photo 17 - looking west at Piletly 5;

Rad 10 - lile Ply 5, Om- 270 nF/h; m- 70 nR/h

P45- 10'dex, 30'wide, 150' long Photo 18- 100king northwest at Pits Rad 11-Pits; om-240018/h; Im-260 11R/h

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Pit6-10' deep; 45'wide, 75' long; Partially Filled with Pile Ply-6 Photo 19. looking of southwest at P.+6 Photo AUT

Rad 12 - Pit6; Om - 1200 MR/h; 130 MR/h

PilePly-6-4'high, 60' wide, 120'long Photo 20 - 100king west at Pile Ply 6 Red 13 - Pile Ply 6 Tom- 90001R/h; Im - 210 MR/h

Pit7-8'deep, 60' wide, 270'long; Adit-1 at western end Photo 21-looking west at Pit7 Photo 22 - looking west in Pit 7 Rad 14 - Pit7; On-450 NR/h; Im-2904R/h

Abit 1 - western end of Pit 7; 6' tall, 15'wide, unknown length Photo - 23 looking west into adit-1 Photo 24 - looking west at adit - I entrance; being filled by sand, sand dure encroaching from above Rad 15 - Aditientrance; on-480. nR/h; Im-420 nR/h

8,78-8'deep, 90' wide, 120' long Photo 25 looking south at Pit8 Rad 16-Pit8; om- 290-48/h; Im- 140 48/h

Equip 1 - watertruck, next 46 Pit8 Photo 26 - 100king west at Eguip-1

Pitq-20'delpiso' wide, 270 long delper pit inside main pit Photo 27-looking south at Pit9 Rad 17 - Pit9; om - 4400nfh; Im - 500. MR/h

Photo 28 - Rad 17 reading Erosply-1-25'deep, 45 wide, 75 long; backcutting erosion along meson, eroding Pile Ply-7 Photo 29- looking south at Erosply-1

4/15/10 Act Abandoned Uranium Mines Pileply-7 - #3' high, 150' wide, 300'long Photo 30 - looking east at Pilety - 7 spreading down mesa

Photo 31 - looking cast at Pikelly 7 Rad-18-Pilety -7; On-140048/h; lm-12048/h Photo 32- 100 king east at Pit-10, per Anderson Report Pit-10 - 10' deep, 45' wide, 600' long Rad 19- Pit 10; Om- over 5000 AR/h (max): Im- 1100 MR/h Photo Bar Radia, rock mineralization Rad 20 : Pitro; on- 800 MR/h; Im- 400 MR/h Photo 33 Autobing west in Pit 10 AUT Photo 34- Albo King east in Pit-10 Photo 36 Aut 100 king east at Pit -10

Photo 34 - Tooking southeast, siterame

PHI - 10'deep, 50' wide, 300' long Photo 38-160king west at Pit II Photo 34 - looking southwest in Pitll Rad 21 - Pitll; om - 700 nR/h; hm - 180 nR/h

Pilelly 8- 8 digh, 30 worde, 120 long Photo 40 Dooking northwest at Pile Ply8 Rad 22- Pileply 8; Om- 460m R/h; Im- 150 MR/h

P:+12 - 8 deep, 36 wide, 60 long Photo HT- looking southeast at Pit 12 Rad 23 - Pit 12; om - 1000 MRh; Im - 230 MR/h

Pit 13-20' deep, 60' wide, 900'long "")" shape &N Photo 12- looking north along The eastern limb of Pit 13 Photo 45-Tooking east along the southern limb of Pit 13 Photo Harthooking west along the southern limb of lit 13 Rad 24 - P.713; Om - 806; In - 150 mR/h Rad 25 - P. + 13; Om - 1000 MR/h; Im-150 MR/h

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Photo 45 tooking east at intraformational Bold in Pit B
inentioned in the Anderson Report and in Photo d.

Rad-26-Photo 45, Pit 13; Om-700 MR/h; Im-370 MR/h Photo HE-Tooking northwest at Pit 13, per Anderson Report Photo c.

Photo 49 - File Ply9 - OM-1100MR/h; Im-170MR/h

Photo 48 to beep, 90 wide, 450 long "N" shape the photo 48 to booking at the northern limb of Pit-14, booking east of northern limb in Ait-14 Rad 28-Pit-14; on-950 nRh; lm-180 MR/h

Rad 29, - Pity; on-szoonk/n; m - 500 mR/h Photo So- Rad 29 mineralization

Photo Fr Tooking east at southern limb of Pit-14

Photo & Tooking east above southern limb of Pit-14 per Anderson Photo g

Photo \$3-100king east above northern limb of Pit-14 per Anderson Photof

PilePly10 - 30' tall, 360' wide, 375'long; soil and rock Photo SA-not looking east at PilePly10 had 30 - PilePly10, om- 600 mg/h; lm-40 mg/h
Rad 31 - PilePly10; om- 20 mg/h; lm-19 mg/h

Photo \$5 "Tooking east at Pit-15 from PilePly10

Photo \$5 ALTooking southeast at Pit-15 per Anderson

Photo \$6 ALTooking southeast at Pit-15 per Anderson

Photo \$6 ALTooking east at imestone knobin Pit 15

Photo \$8 - Tooking east at east wall of Pit 15

4/15/10 act Abandonder Vranium Mines
Rad 32-limestone knob in Pitis; om-600 w/h; In-230 wR/h
Rad 33-Pitis; om-1200 wR/h; Im-300 wR/h

Photo 59- Tooking east at Pitelly 11

Fad 34- litely 11; om - 2800 MR/h; Im - 280 MR/h

Photo 50- Tooking south at Pitelly 11

Pile Ply 12 - 8' high, 150' wide, 300' long Photo 67 tooking nor thought at Pileply 12 Rad 35 - Pile Ply 12; Om - 480 n K/h; Im - 160 m K/h

Pixhige 1-3' high, 10" wide, 90 11 ong
Photo 12 - looking west at PileRidge!
Rad 36- PileRidge!; om-2500 uff, In-130 uR/h

Pit 16:10 deep, 50 wide, 325 long

Photosis looking north at Pit 16

Thoto Bit-looking south east at fold in Pit-16

Photo Est Tooking east at Pit 16 along northern arm

Rad 37 - Pit 16: om 1700 ur/h; Im-260 ur/h

PilePy 13 - 16 high, 30 wide, 180 long Photo St. Tooking east at Pile Ply 13 Rad 38 - PilePly 13, Om - 800 MR/h; Im - 34 MR/h

Access Rt-2- from Pit 16 to Pit 17

Pit 17-8 deep, 20 wide, 60 long Photo 14 mtooking north at Pit -17 Rad 39-Pit 17; on-1200 mR/h; Im-250 MR/h

Pile Ridge - 2 - 4'high, 10' wide, 60'long Photo GB - Tooking north at Pile Ridge a Rad 40 - Pile Ridge 2 - on - 90 nR/h; Im - 30 nR/h

Piletly 14 - 4 'nigh, 45' wide, 66' long Photo 69 - looking south east at Piletly 14 Rad 41 - Pile Ply14; on- 270 MF/h; Im - 43 M/h 4/15/10 AU Abandoned Uranium Mines PilePly 15:- 6 'talk 10' wide 25' long Photo 20 - FilePly 15 looking north Rad 42 - PilePly 15; Om-700 MR/h; Im-140MR/h

Pile Ply 16-3 tall, 150' wide, 600' long; spreads down mesa edge; mostly soil Photo 27-Pieply 16 looking cost nor Rad 43- Pileply 16; Om-36 nR/h; 26 nR/h

Pile Phy 17 - 3 tall, 60 wide, 210 long; spreads down mega, waste rock
Photo 13. Nooking south east at Pile Ply 17
Photo 18 - Tooking west a strong edge of Pile Ply 17
Rad 44 - Pile Ply 17; Om-1100 MR/h; Im-90 MR/h

Pix 18-10' deep, 30' wide, 90' 16ng Photo 14- Tooking east at Pit 18 Rad 45 - Pit 18, om 2200 nR/h; Im- 440 nR/h

Photo 25 m leoking cast at Adita
Rad 46 - Adita; on- 260 MR/h; In-190 MR/h

Structify-1; 6' tall, 10'wide, 20 long; timber structure, 2010

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Photo 26 * Tooking east at struct Ply1

Pile Ply 18 - a0 'tall, 105' wide, 450' long; sand with piles of waste rock throughout
Photo 77 - Pile Ply 18 looking east
Rad 47 · P. Telly 18 · om- a80 AR/h; Im - 160 MR/h

StructPlya-5' tall (inside), I at entrance, filling in with sind; wood roof and door; 30'long, 10' wide - used for storage, maybe explosives!

Thoto Is-looking south at structPlya

Pit 19 - 15' deep. 30' wide, 105 long; Adit 3 at northern and Photo 38 tooking north at Pit 19
Rad 48 - Pit 19; on - 240 nR/h; Im - 60 nR/h

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Adit 3 - 5'tall, 8' wide, unknown length; trends north
thoto 86-looking into adit 3
Photo 87-looking north at Adit 3
Rad 49 - Adit 3 - Dm- 2800 mR/h; Im- 480 mR/h

Photo 82- looking south at Pileply 19 Rad 50 - Pileply 49 - On- 1400 ng/h; Im- 130 ng/h

Photo 33 - Tooking east at Pit 20, sowhern kimb Photo 37 - Tooking east at Pit 20, sowhern kimb Photo 37 - Tooking east at Pit 20, northern kimb Rad ST - Pit 20; om - 800 MR/h; lm - 280 MR/h

Dumplt-2-in litao; tires, metal cans, wood, glass, metal car parts

Photo 85-looking north at Dumplt2

Rad 52 - Pit 20; om- 1500 uR/h; Im- 390 uR/h Rad 53 - om- 9 mR/h; Im- 8 uR/h

1900 Leaving Aumsite

Soils: Tan-red sandy soils, rocky

Rocks: Tan-red Sandstone (Entrada); Grey Todilto Limestone

Human Activities: Grazing, fences, cowprints, etc.
Past mining activities roads, trash, etc.
Current exploration; vehicle tracks, waterfruck,
bags of sample (green)

Wildlife: Deek, rabit tracks and droppings.

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